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Title of Invention: VACCINE COMPOSITION COMPRISING
LIPOOLIGOSACCHARIDE WITH REDUCED
PHASE VARIABILITY

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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to calculating filing fees and examining this application please
amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which
begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 15 of this paper and include
both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.